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Culver City, CA

Petroleum Assessment and Cleanup Grants

### **BONEYARD PROPERTY**

## Former Oil Storage and Production Property Cleaned Up to Make Way for Dog Park

Address: 9100 Jefferson Boulevard, Culver City, California

**Property Size:** One acre

FORMER USES: Oil production operation

CURRENT Use: Dog Park

EPA Grant Recipient: Project Partners:

Culver City received a \$50,000 Brownfields Petroleum Assessment grant and a \$200,000 Brownfields Petroleum

Cleanup grant in 2003.

Friends of the Culver City Dog Park, City of Culver City Public Works

Department



#### PROJECT BACKGROUND:

Adjacent to a 42-acre city park, the "Boneyard" property had a 75-year history of oil production, storage, and transportation uses. In November 1977, the property was donated by Bank of America to the city, and for nearly 25 years was used by the city for general equipment storage. In 2002, the city funded limited soil sampling that confirmed the presence of suspected petroleum contamination. At the request of the city, the California Department of Conservation removed above-ground storage tanks and ancillary equipment, pumps, and wells from the property. However, inactive underground pipelines and an active above-ground pipeline used for oil and gas were left in place. The site was selected to become a new dog park, but additional environmental assessments and cleanup were necessary before the project could proceed. EPA's Brownfields Program provided funding for those further assessments and cleanup.

#### **KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Removed inactive oil pipelines and excavated contaminated soil.
- Replaced petroleum contaminated soil with clean fill.
- Created a plan to redevelop the site into an off-leash dog park.
- Leveraged more than \$100,000 through the efforts of the Friends of the Culver City Dog Park.



Cleanup underway on the Boneyard Property.

#### **O**UTCOME:

Using EPA cleanup funds, the city removed all inactive pipelines from the property and excavated petroleum-contaminated soil. The property was then covered with clean fill. Friends of the Culver City Dog Park, a non-profit organization that raised more than \$100,000 to help design and build the park, led redevelopment efforts along with the City of Culver City Public Works Department. Groundbreaking on the new park took place in July 2005, and the park opened in April 2006. The property is now home to the Culver City Dog Park, providing residents with an off-leash sanctuary for their dogs.